

# News

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\*\*\*\*Special problems, special roles facing  
"Women as Therapists" to be explored at  
April 27 seminar

DALLAS--"There's an unstated bargain between the sexes--an attitude that pervades all their relationships. Understanding that attitude is crucial to the female therapist because it colors her relationships with her clients and with other professionals," says Julia Dodson of the Southwest Family Institute.

"Women as Therapists" is a seminar designed to explore the psychology of women within their relationships, both personal and professional. The full-day seminar, scheduled Saturday, April 27, is co-sponsored by the Department of Psychiatry of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas and the Southwest Family Institute.

"We think that this seminar will be extremely valuable to anyone practicing psychologically based counseling for marriage or family problems, whether they counsel individuals or groups. It will be helpful to a broad range of therapists--psychiatrists or psychologists, social workers, nurses, pastors or graduate students in psychology," said Ruth Hunt, clinic administrator of the Southwest Family Institute.

The speakers will be three approved supervisors for the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy who are on the faculty of the Southwest Family Institute: Leonora Stephens, M.D., a psychiatrist in private practice with a special interest in families and an assistant clinical professor of Psychiatry at UTHSCD; Anna Beth Benningfield, Ph.D., a psychologist and family therapist on staff at the Dallas Child Guidance Clinic and in private practice; and Julia Ann Dodson, M.S.W., a certified social worker and advanced clinical practitioner in private practice.

The registration fee for "Women as Therapists" is \$50 for professionals, \$35 for full-time students. The seminar, to take place at Children's Medical Center, will earn continuing education credit from either the American Medical Association or from the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy.

For additional information or registration, contact the Division of Continuing Education, UTHSCD, 214/688-2166.

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